

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## HONORING SILVER KEY

### HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, August 3, 2021*

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the fiftieth anniversary of Silver Key, a non-profit organization in Colorado Springs, Colorado, whose mission is to support a healthy quality of life for seniors, allowing them to age safely with dignity and independence.

Silver Key was founded in 1970 by Betsey Myers-Burroughs, Clifford King, and a group of concerned citizens who wished to improve the well-being of older individuals in the Pikes Peak region. From extremely humble origins grew a Nursing Home Volunteer Program to help alleviate isolation and loneliness for elderly residents. Silver Key soon broadened its mission to assist seniors who desired to age in place, independently, in their homes.

Thanks to visionary leadership, impassioned volunteers, dedicated staff, diverse funding sources, and the philanthropic culture of this community, Silver Key has helped more than half a million seniors remain safe, independent, healthy, and thriving over the last half-century. They have grown to include services such as Silver Key Connections Café, home-delivered meals including Meals on Wheels, Reserve & Ride transportation services, volunteer events, and service opportunities, and vital Silver Key Health & Wellness Services providing a wide array of senior assistance services including behavioral health, companionship, case management, and government food program distribution.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House of Representatives join me in honoring this important organization's history and mission. I congratulate and thank Silver Key and all of those who make independence and health a reality for senior citizens in Colorado's Fifth Congressional District.

## RECOGNIZING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF EQUAL PAY AND THE DISPARITY IN WAGES PAID TO MEN AND TO BLACK WOMEN

### HON. ALMA S. ADAMS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, August 3, 2021*

Ms. ADAMS. Madam Speaker, I introduced a resolution to recognize today, August 3, 2021, as Black Women's Equal Pay Day.

Two-hundred and fourteen days—that's how long into 2021 that Black women have to work to earn the same wage paid to white, non-Hispanic men. Black women are being paid 63 cents for every dollar white, non-Hispanic men are being paid.

The crossroads at which black women stand, between two walls of prejudice, one for

race and one for gender, are unique and deserve singular attention. The toil and struggle of Black women stretches over centuries, and the acknowledgement of this has been too little, too late.

That is why I am introducing this Resolution to recognize August 3, 2021 as Black Women's Equal Pay Day. Because the value of those thirty-seven cents is so much more than thirty-seven cents.

It is equality, dignity, and independence.

America was founded upon imperfect equality, inequality, as we all recognize. But as America's history has shown us thus far, its arc of history bends towards equality.

I fervently urge my colleagues to examine the pressing issue of pay disparity that Black women face. When Black women are not paid equal wages, the negative impacts of lower pay are profound: lower pay impacts the life-long ability of a Black women to pay for her education, her health, and food for her family.

Let this Resolution be the penny that brings forth great ripples of change.

## RECOGNIZING FOREST CITY GUN CLUB JUNIORS OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

### HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, August 3, 2021*

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Forest City Gun Club Juniors of Savannah, Georgia, for winning the 2021 Scholastic Clay Target Program National Championship.

The Scholastic Clay Target Program is an annual competition among amateur shooters across the country. This year, thousands of athletes traveled to Ohio to compete in this event.

In the championship match, a number of Forest City Gun Club Junior athletes rose to the challenge on the nation's largest stage.

This is the second year in a row Forest City Gun Club Juniors has won the Scholastic Clay Target Program National Championship.

I commend this team for their hard work and dedication in achieving success.

I am extremely proud to have these great athletes and program here in the First Congressional District of Georgia.

To the coaches, parents, and team at the Forest City Gun Club: Congratulations on another year of success, and keep up the good work.

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SPEECH OF

### HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 27, 2021*

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 4502, the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education; Agriculture, Rural Development; Energy and Water Development; Financial Services and General Government; Interior, Environment; Military Construction, Veterans Affairs; Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act of 2022.

I sponsored the 400 Years of African American History Commission Act with Senator TIM KAINE. This bill includes \$3.3 million for the Commission to continue their critical work. Since the Commission was first funded in Fiscal Year 2020, it facilitated participation in the 400-year anniversary commemoration of the arrival of Africans in the U.S. colonies at Fort Monroe in Hampton, Virginia; initiated the 400 Distinguished Award to honor African American social justice leaders; supported programming to engage students in historic preservation; and sponsored a documentary film on Black economic empowerment. More recently, the Commission has also launched a series of virtual public education meetings to continue its mission during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The legislation also includes a major federal investment in Hampton Roads by including \$83.7 million for the deepening and widening of the Norfolk Harbor's channels. This project, while authorized, has not yet received its share of federal funds; however, the Port of Virginia has already begun construction on this critical project and these funds will ensure that the project maintains its timeline. The deepening and widening at the Port will allow for larger container and bulk ships visiting the Port of Virginia to arrive and depart fully loaded, providing for safer and more timely passage. The project is expected to deliver nearly \$4 billion of benefits to the national economy.

As a co-chair of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Taskforce, I am also pleased that this package includes much needed support for the restoration of the Chesapeake Bay. This bill provides \$90.5 million for the Environmental Protection Agency's Chesapeake Bay program as well as \$15 million for the Chesapeake WILD (Watershed Investments in Landscape Defense) Program. I sponsored legislation, with Reps. SARBANES and WITTMAN, to

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